

Early Years Newsletter - Term 2

What an amazing start the children in Early Years have got off to during term one! The children have settled into Repton Manor so well and we are incredibly proud of how well they have established relationships with both adults and children. The children have been demonstrating how curious and creative they are whilst we have been learning about colours, seasons and emotions.

Children's Timetable

Monday: New reading book brought home for the first read.

Friday: Return reading books for the weekend.

Mathematics

During term 2, we will become increasingly confident at putting numerals in order 0 to 10 & 20. Through play and exploration, we will be beginning to learn that numbers are made up (composed) of smaller numbers e.g. 2&3 1&4 5&0 all make 5. We will also be learning language associated with time.

RWI

During term 2 we will continue to learn our set 1 sounds. Our new sounds will be - f e l h r j v y w z x sh th ch ng qu

Please continue to practise recognising your child's sounds flashcards in their book bag as this is really supporting their recognition. Remember to say the sound not the letter name.

Please watch these helpful videos showing the correct articulation of the sounds and how to encourage blending skills to develop -

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TkXcabDUg7Q>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MNyFikwNQTg>

Topic

During term 2 we will be centring much of our learning around the topic 'Lets Party'. We will be learning how people in the UK and around the world celebrate Bonfire Night, Diwali, Birthdays and Christmas. We will use music, art, drama, artefacts, stories and non-fiction texts to explore how these festivals are celebrated. We will cook and eat a range of food and use technology to represent our experiences. We will observe the changing of the season from Autumn to Winter and the impact this has on people and the environment. What an exciting term it will be!

Reminders

Please ensure your child reads with you daily and you sign the reading record book.

Children must have a named water bottle in school each day.

Please could you ensure all uniform is labelled with your children's first and last name.

Please ensure your child brings a showerproof jacket and wellies when it is raining or is likely to rain.

Please ensure you return borrowed clothes once they have been washed.

Key dates for your diary

Early Years Bedtime Story and Hot Chocolate Event

21/11/22 4.30-5.30pm

Reception Christmas Show

13/12/22 2pm and 14/12/22 5pm

Christmas Dinner

14/12/22 during the school day

Our Daily Routine

8.40-9.10 - Children self-register, choose their lunch option and play in provision.

9.10-9.30 - Motor skills development - developing fine motor skills and their ability to move with control and coordination.

9.30-10 - RWI which is a phonics scheme that works with children in small groups to develop their skills and knowledge in this area.

10-11 - Child Initiated - children select where they would like to learn and play in a carefully designed environment.

11-11.20 - Storytelling groups focusing on oral literacy skills, understanding of language and early reading and writing.

11.20-11.30 - Prepare for lunch and singing

11.30-12.30 - Children are supported to eat and play outside

12.30-1 - Children engage in groups developing skills in their personal, social and emotional development as well as their communication. Topic learning.

1-2.30- Child Initiated

2.30- 2.50 - Children work on Mathematical skills.

2.50 -3 - Prepare for home and story time